



REMARKS

The Adams patent teaches away from spinning while in use as stated immediately to the right of median number 20 in the summary of invention; therefore the applicant submits the operational application of a swivel to the weight of the office action is not obvious but necessary and, and to use a swivel with the weight of the Adams d4sign would be redundant.

The applicant further submits that the Adams weight is extremely specialized, and not suited to a particular method of fishing commonly referred to as the tight-line method whereby a taut line must be achieved between the weight on the bottom and the end of the angler's rod. Such condition is maintained until the fish is hooked or steals the bait and the line is reeled in and such condition may last minutes or hours.

The condition of the Adams weight in water is made clear by the paragraph immediately adjacent median numbers 55 and 60 of the preferred embodiment on the page with the number heading 5 wherein it states that the buoyant portion is sufficient to provide an upward or lifting force to the top part of the sinker when it is in water, and that when pulled or jerked the sinker is lifted upward and forward. Such built in characteristics teach away from static weight performance, which is a requirement of the tight line method of fishing.

The applicant further submits that the weight of the office action is superior in this respect and that one of the objects and advantages of the weight of the office action is to provide static weight performance for the tight line method of fishing.

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